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The forty-fifth session of the MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE convened in the Broadway Mission Church, Baltimore, Md., on Wednesday, March 12th, 1873, at 9 o'clock, A. M., and was opened by the President with religious exercises.

D. Wilson and J. E. Maloy were appointed a Committee on Credentials, after which the roll of Ministerial and Lay Members was called.

The President read his official report, and his official character was passed.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. T. D. Valiant.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.—D. Evans Reese, J. W. Everist, Jas. K. Nichols, John Elderdice, John R. Nichols, A. S. Eversole, J. M. Elderdice, L. W. Bates, A. Baker, S. B. Southerland, H. P. Jordan, J. J. Murray, P. L. Wilson, D. W. Bates, John Roberts, R. S. Norris, W. T. Dumm, D. A. Shermer, David Wilson, T. D. Valiant, H. J. Day, F. Swentzel, T. M. Bryan, Jesse Shreeve, J. A. McFaden, J. H. Ellegood, E. J. Drinkhouse, J. Clay, Thomas Lee, J. T. Murray, W. S. Hammond, H. C. Cushing, T. A. Moore, J. Thompson, A. D. Dick, W. G. Holmes, C. H. Littleton, D. F. Ewell, J. T. Ward, B. F. Benson, W. M. Strayer, C. T. Cochel, J. E. T. Ewell, S. A. Hoblitzell, J. E. Maloy, J. L. Mills, R. Whinna, J. W. Charlton, J. B. Jones, J. W. Gray, A. Webster, W. D. Litsinger, R. S. Rowe, J. D. Kinzer, G. D. Edmonston, S. T. Graham, J. T. Lassell, S. T.

Ferguson, J. M. Holmes, J. E. Read, A. T. Melvin, A. W. Mather, H. E. Miskimon, J. E. Darby, W. C. Lipscomb, J. P. Wilson, T. McCormick, Amon Richards, Isaac T. Adkins, W. A. Crouse, D. L. Greenfield, C. M. Thompson, C. O. Melvin, W. C. Ames, W. H. Lane, F. T. Tagg, Jacob D. Wilson, W. J. Floyd, J. L. Straughn, W. F. Livingston, Henry Bruner, J. L. Killgore, E. R. McGregor, R. L. Lewis, F. T. Little, W. J. Neeper, A. A. Harryman, J. B. Butler, J. G. Sullivan, S. G. Valiant = 90.

PROBATIONERS.—A. D. Melvin, S. B. Treadway, T. O. Crouse, W. R. Graham, J. M. Yingling, D. N. Gilbert, W. J. D. Lucas, G. F. Farring, F. H. Mullineaux = 9.

DELEGATES.—Thomas M. Pinkind, George W. Parks, Thomas Edwards, H. Touchstone, A. P. Ellis, J. H. Leonard, O. Hammond, Charles Downes, Nicholas Wright, Joseph Heiss, T. P. Walls, J. E. Nicholson, George W. Adams, William Whitney, C. R. Horsey, L. A. J. Lamotte, J. B. Bennett, E. H. Friend, R. H. Powell, A. A. Richards, L. G. Mills, D. Killgore, J. G. Stevenson, S. H. Robertson, R. S. Griffith, George W. Bishop, W. L. Petit, L. Wainright, J. H. Smith, J. B. Corkran, R. H. Smith, A. Robinson, W. A. Wheatley, R. Hammond, A. J. Fairbank, S. V. Yantis, Caleb Freeland, F. J. Bartlett, G. H. Erdman, James Bond, W. Arnold, J. W. Thompson, T. B. Bateman, Eli Nicodemus, R. P. Stewart, T. W. Wright, J. G. Jackson, John Wilson, Pere Wilmer, Isaac Parsons, J. Baughman, A. Zollickoffer, S. S. Ewell, E. L. Williams, J. C. Billingslea, N. McDowell, G. F. Kindley, J. B. Mathews, W. Deremore, R. B. Ferguson, Henry Swope = 61

STANDING COMMITTEES.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.—J. E. Maloy, Isaac Parsons, T. P. Walls.

FINANCE.—L. W. Bates, R. S. Norris, B. F. Benson, L. A. J. Lamotte, G. W. Bishop.

OFFICIAL REPORTS.—A. S. Eversole, A. D. Dick, E. H. Friend.

STATISTICS.—A. W. Mather.

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.—J. T. Murray.

COLLECTION FOR MINUTES.—W. A. Crouse, J. H. Smith.

ITINERANCY AND ORDERS (*Conference Committee*).—H. C. Cushing, W. M. Strayer, W. S. Hammond, Pere Wilmer, G. F. Kindly. (*Orders*).—The Faculty of Instruction.

BOUNDARIES.—R. S. Griffith, Thomas E. Edwards, J. B. Bennet, J. H. Leonard, R. P. Stewart, E. L. Williams, J. Baughman.

MISSIONS.—D. A. Shermer, J. T. Murray, R. S. Rowe, Thomas B. Batemen, G. W. Adams, Charles Billingslea.

LITERATURE.—J. K. Nichols, D. W. Bates, E. R. McGregor, F. J. Bartlett, O. Hammond, J. G. Stevenson.

SUPERANNUATED CLAIMANTS.—T. D. Valiant, F. Swentzel, W. T. Dumm, Charles Downs, Henry Swope, W. R. Bitner.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—L. W. Bates, P. L. Wilson, J. W. Everest, A. P. Ellis, William Whitney, Joseph Heiss.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.—J. Shreeve, C. T. Cochel, J. E. Read, W. T. White, J. E. Nicholson, A. Robinson.

TEMPERANCE.—J. R. Nichols, J. B. Jones, C. H. Littleton, S. V. Yantis, W. L. Pettit, G. H. Green.

ECCLESIASTICAL COMMUNICATIONS AND VISITATIONS.—A. Webster, J. J. Murray, John Roberts, Herman Touchstone, David Kilgore, Charles W. Payne.

BIBLE CAUSE.—J. L. Kilgore, S. T. Graham, J. L. Mills, Thomas M. Pinkind, Lawrence G. Mills, Levin Wainright.

PULPIT SERVICES.—S. B. Southerland, J. T. Murray, D. A. Shermer.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was opened with religious exercises by W. M. Strayer.

Conference proceeded to the election of officers with the following result: For President—D. Evans Reese. For Standing District Committee—H. F. Zollickoffer, L. W. Bates, S. B. Southerland, J. W. Hering, B. H. Richardson, P. M. Pearson. Committee of Appeals—H. C. Cushing, D. W. Bates, J. Roberts, J. W. Thompson, T. B. Bateman.

On motion of R. S. Rowe, the resolution on page 28 of the Minutes of the Annual Conference of 1867, classing Woods-meetings with Camp-meetings, and requiring the President to supply them with ministers, was rescinded.

The Committee to whom was referred the letter from a brother on Pocomoke Circuit, respectfully reported that said letter contains no matter for the action of Conference.

Adjourned with prayer by A. Webster.

THURSDAY, *March 13th*, 1873.

Religious services conducted by A. T. Melvin.

R. S. Rowe was re-elected Conference Steward, Robt. Whinna was re-elected Missionary Steward, and Rev. J. E. Maloy was re-elected Steward of the Superannuated Fund.

J. W. Charlton was re-elected Secretary, who selected as his assistants D. L. Greenfield, and J. D. Kinzer.

L. W. Bates read a report from Western Maryland College, which was referred to the Committee on Literature.

It was

Resolved, That the plan for securing Missionary Collections, by the Envelope System, as adopted by our last Annual Conference be left to the discretion of superintendents, who shall use it at their own expense, or that of the collection in their charge.

A letter from J. E. Darby was read; he was again loaned to the Board of Missions.

Letters and memorial from 1st Methodist Church, Pittsburg, and J. J. Murray, were read and referred to the President and the Executive Committee.

The following were appointed a Special Committee on Virginia District: — A. Webster, L. W. Bates, S. B. Southerland, E. J. Drinkhouse, F. J. Bartlett, W. H. Wheatly.

J. K. Nichols, David Wilson and W. Whitney, Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the statement of the Missionary from Williamsport and Berkeley Mission, concerning the financial embarrassments of Williamsport Church, having carefully considered the statements

and facts presented in Committee, respectfully report : that the Committee are of opinion that the Maryland Annual Conference can exercise no proper supervision in the premises, but express the hope, that by the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, some means may be provided to relieve the Church of all embarrassment.

FRIDAY, *March 14th.*

Conference was opened with religious exercises conducted by I. T. Adkins.

A letter was presented from William Dale, asking for the renewal of his Elder's Credentials, which request was granted.

On motion of J. K. Nichols, it was

Resolved, That G. W. Bishop be, and he is hereby appointed an Agent of the Conference to procure from the Maryland Legislature an Act, enabling the Maryland Conference to receive a legacy of \$300 from the estate of Mrs. Horne, and that R. S. Rowe be authorized to receive the said legacy from the executor of the estate on behalf of the Conference.

J. E. Maloy, of the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported as follows :

The Committee on Unfinished Business report the following : —The *fourth and fifth* Resolutions of a paper signed by A. Webster, J. K. Nichols and others, to wit :

4. *Resolved*, That this Conference recommends the next General Conference to substitute for Article 12 of the Constitution, the following :

ARTICLE 12.

I. Each Annual Conference shall have power to define the terms of suffrage and eligibility to office within its own district.

II. No person shall be eligible as a representative to the General Conference until he shall have attained the age of twenty-five years, and shall have been in full membership two years.

5. *Resolved*, That the Secretary shall send a copy of the proposed amendment to each of the Annual Conferences, with a respectful request that they unite with us in the foregoing recommendation.

The report was adopted, and also the following offered by L. W. Bates :

To amend the Section 3 of Article 8 in the Constitution, by striking out the word "joint," and adding at the end of the Section the following : unless the

College shall determine to elect by order, then it shall require a majority of the laymen present to elect a Lay-representative, and a majority of the ministers present to elect a Ministerial-representative.

J. J. Murray, E. J. Drinkhouse and O. Hammond, Special Committee on the memorial from the Bethany Independent Methodist Church, reported the following :— which was adopted.

Resolved, that the application of the Bethany Independent Methodist Church be favorably commended to the President; that the said Church be supplied with a preacher for the coming year under the disciplinary provision for supplying churches belonging to other denominations, provided the exigencies of our own District and those of other Methodist Protestant Churches dependent upon us for ministerial supply, will permit.

On motion of J. T. Murray,

Resolved, That a recommendation from the Faculty of Instruction to the Committee on Itinerancy be required, in the case of all applications for the Itinerancy..

Conference resolved itself into the Home Missionary Society.

SATURDAY, *March 15th*, 1873.

Opening devotional services were conducted by James Thompson.

L. W. Bates, J. R. Nichols and R. S. Norris, Committee, made the following report, which was adopted :

Whereas, Broadway Church is unable to support a pastor, pay its debts, or even to legalize the mortgage upon which it borrowed the sum of \$2500, and is dependent upon the good offices of this Conference in its behalf, Therefore

Resolved I. That the Missionary appropriation to Broadway Mission for last year, be and hereby is increased by the addition of \$500; and that said additional \$500 be provided for in the assessments of this Conference session, and be paid over to the incoming pastor of said Church during the coming Conference year.

Resolved II. That Broadway Mission be, and hereby is set off as a Station, under the name and title of Broadway Station.

Resolved III. That we hereby urge the incoming pastor, and the membership of Broadway to incorporate themselves under the Act of 1868, legalize the illegal mortgage, and make an earnest effort to pay off the Church debt; and that we commend the pressing pecuniary necessities of said Church to the liberal consideration of our entire membership in the Maryland District so soon as the present mortgage shall be duly legalized.

On motion of J. T. Murray,

Resolved, That this Conference recognizes the importance of the work of Foreign Missions; and as we have no channel of our own through which the contributions of the Church may be made available in foreign mission fields, we recommend the co-operation of the Church with some sister Church engaged in such work.

Resolved, That we have a high appreciation of the management and operations of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and recommend the formation of societies auxiliary thereto in our Churches, or co-operation with the Society now existing in connection with East Baltimore Station.

On motion of D. Wilson,

Resolved, That on the Sabbaths of the ensuing Conference year on which the Superannuated Fund collections are lifted, we recommend that a memorial sermon be preached, commemorative of the deceased ministers of the Maryland Annual Conference.

The following brethren were introduced, and addressed the Conference as fraternal messengers from the bodies which they represented; viz: Revs. A. W. Wilson and Samuel Rodgers, of the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church, South; W. Collier and A. Clark, of the Pittsburg Conference of the Methodist Church; H. P. F. King of the West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church; J. J. White of the Attorney St. Methodist Protestant Church of N. Y. City; J. K. Hembold of the Pennsylvania Conference, Methodist Protestant Church.

The Conference received a message of fraternal greeting from the New York Conference of the Methodist Church by telegram, and the President and Secretary of the Conference were authorized to reply by the same mode of communication.

H. C. Cushing, W. M. Strayer, W. S. Hammond and Pere Wilmer, Committee on Itinerancy and Orders, reported as follows:

For the Itinerancy: — J. M. Yingling, Walter R. Graham, David N. Gilbert, W. J. D. Lucas, George F. Farring, F. H. Mullineaux.

For Deacons' Orders: — W. J. Neeper, J. B. Butler, A. A. Harryman, R. L. Lewis, J. G. Sullivan, F. T. Little, and S. G. Valliant, (when he becomes of age); J. E. Nicholson, Thos. E. Edwards, Joseph B. Mitchell.

For Elders' Orders: — W. F. Livingston.

Report adopted.

R. S. Norris, F. Swentzell, and F. Etchison, a Committee appointed at the last Conference, "to procure a lithographic design

Resolved, That the above money be paid over to the authorities of Broadway Church so soon as they legalize the Guion mortgage. X

On motion of T. B. Bateman,

Resolved, That ministers receiving appointments under the stationing authority of this Conference, be, and they are hereby requested to call the attention, and urge upon the members of their respective charges, the importance of a more prompt and faithful attendance upon the means of grace, known in this Church as Class-meetings.

The following from the Committee on Virginia District, was adopted :

The Special Committee to whom certain papers relating to the Virginia Conference was referred, beg to submit that the necessities of the Virginia Conference are such as to commend it to this Conference for its countenance and assistance. Your Committee therefore, in view of the facts, recommend a supply for the following points in the Virginia Conference, viz: Lynchburg, Norfolk, Heathsville Circuit, Campbell and Otter Mission. Deeming the interests of these localities worthy of attention, and considering the fact, that by granting the ministerial supply asked for, several hundred members of the Virginia Conference, with ten or twelve churches, worth at least \$30,000, will be secured to the Methodist Protestant Church, and the hearts of our brethren gladdened thereby, thus giving them reason to hope that the Great Head of the Church will bless their labors, and make them strong and prosperous as in the years past. All of which is respectfully submitted in the absence of the Chairman.

The report of the Special Committee on Book Concern was received, and the Committee discharged.

D. W. Bates, A. J. Fairbanks, and David Wilson reported as follows :

The Committee to whom was referred the letters from the Colored Methodist Protestant Church of Charleston, South Carolina, beg leave to report as follows :

1. They find in one of the letters the sum of \$15.50 to be distributed to various beneficiaries connected with this Conference. The Committee have distributed the money as directed by the letter.
2. Said letter represents the Church as being in a prosperous condition, having added a net increase of ninety to its membership during the past year.
3. *Resolved*, That this Church, in its isolated condition, has our prayers and sympathies for its success and prosperity.

Report adopted.

A paper was presented by W. M. Strayer, in reference to a division of the Conference district, and referred to the following Committee, to be reported on at our next Annual Session : D. W. Bates, B. F. Benson, and J. W. Thompson.

Adjourned with prayer by E. R. McGregor.

TUESDAY, *March 18, 1873.*

Conference opened in usual form by J. L. Straughan.

R. S. Griffith, from Committee on Boundaries, made the following recommendations, which were adopted :

1. That White Marsh and Gideon appointments on Severn Circuit be added to Anne Arundel Circuit, and that the latter be supplied with a married and single minister.

2. That Talbot Circuit be divided, setting off Easton as a Station ; leaving Oxford, Trappe and Bambury to constitute Talbot Circuit.

J. Shreeve, C. T. Cochel and J. E. Nicholson made the following report, which was adopted :

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to offer the following as their report :

Whereas, The grand work of the Sabbath School is the early conversion of the children, therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That we recommend a monthly prayer-meeting to be held in all the Schools.

2. That the practice of memorizing Scripture by each Scholar be at once restored.

3 That R. S. Norris, F. Swentzel, and E. B. Bates be appointed a Committee to secure a list of the most approved Sabbath School Books, as a guide for those selecting Libraries.

4. That we recommend the uniform lessons to be used in all the Schools.

5. That we continue our Annual Conference Sabbath School Convention, and that R. S. Norris, F. Swentzel, and E. J. Drinkhouse be constituted a committee of arrangements.

6. That we recommend to the favorable consideration of Superintendents the Sunday School Paper published by the Methodist Book Concern in Pittsburgh, Pa.

James K. Nichols from the Committee on Literature made a report, which after amendment, was adopted.

The report of the Special Committee upon the papers presented by H. P. Jordan was considered, and finally laid upon the table.

J. L. Mills, Chairman, reported as follows :

The Committee on Bible Cause beg leave to report that the amount of collections aggregated \$201,45. There were 4 Stations, 19 Circuits and 6 Missions ; in all 29 charges in this State, which neglected or failed to take collection for this purpose.

Your Committee recommend,

I. That the amount thus paid be applied to making *James K. Nichols* and *Daniel W. Bates*, Life Directors ; *John R. Nichols* and *A. Copenhaver*, Life Members.

II. That, Whereas the salvation of the world is in a great degree dependent on the circulation of God's Word, this collection be considered a regular Conference collection, the failure to lift which may constitute a barrier to the passage of the official character of the delinquent.

III. That blanks furnished to be filled by the Superintendents have Bible Cause, either printed or written, in the list of items to be reported upon, so that Superintendents may not fail to report this with the other collections.

East Baltimore, \$20.00; West Baltimore, \$30.00; Lexington Street, \$6.00; Georgetown, \$19.10; Cambridge, 25 cents; Cecil, \$5.36; Dorchester, \$3.40; Jefferson, \$5.67; Kent, \$11.00; Pipe Creek, \$8.26; Talbot, \$13.40; Warwick, \$10.35; Newtown, \$2.50; Wicomico, \$4.83.

Baltimore Collections taken by Bro. Baer; Centreville, \$3.53; St. Michael's, \$5.80; Salisbury \$5.85; Harper's Ferry, \$3.48; Frederick City, \$1.35; Total paid to Md. Bible Society, \$160.13.

Laurel, to Delaware Bible Society, \$20.00; Concord, to Pennsylvania Bible Society, \$2.36; Milton, to Delaware Bible Society, \$10.00; Seaford, to Delaware Bible Society, \$5.36; Ninth Street, Washington, to Washington Bible Society, \$3.60; Total to Societies out of the State, \$41.32.

Total Collection throughout Districts, \$201.45.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MILLS, *Chairman.*

Adjourned, with prayer by J. M. Elderdice.

March 18th, 7½ P. M.

Conference opened in usual form by W. S. Hammond. Georgetown D. C., was selected as the place for holding the next Annual Session; and the second Wednesday in March, 1874, fixed as the time.

A. S. Eversole was granted, at his request, a supernumerary relation.

Conference resolved itself into the Superannuated Fund Society.

WEDNESDAY, *March 19th, 1873.*

Conference opened by J. B. Jones, with religious services.

On motion, the Treasurer of the Missionary Society was author-

ized to pay the Book Concern the money loaned for the Juvenile Missionary plate.

J. R. Nichols, Chairman, made the following report :

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report upon the subject of Temperance.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference, that Intemperance is one of the most gigantic evils of the age, and a formidable barrier to the success of the Church.

Resolved, That we hail with pleasure the increased interest manifested by the friends of Temperance, outside the Church, and recommend the co-operation of our people, with the effort to secure protective legislation against this evil.

Resolved, That we memorialize the next General Conference of our Church to give us such ecclesiastical legislation, as will protect the Churches from the pernicious influences of all rum-selling and rum-drinking members, and will so instruct our delegates.

Resolved, That we approve of the Conference Temperance Convention, and recommend the same Committee of Arrangement, and Thursday evening, 7½ o'clock, second day of the Conference, as the time it shall be held.

Resolved, That we recommend that each Itinerant Minister and Preacher in our District preach at least once at each of his appointments during the year upon this subject, and recommend the formation of Juvenile Temperance Societies in our Sunday Schools.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the *Methodist Protestant* some time during the month of May, as well as in our Minutes.

The following Resolutions, offered by J. J. Murray, were adopted :

Resolved, That there be appointed Fraternal Messengers, to convey to the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, the Christian greetings of this body ; to express to our brethren of the Baltimore Conference our high appreciation of their repeated acts of fraternal courtesy, and to assure them that the presence and remarks of their Messengers, Rev. Alpheus Wilson, and Rev. Samuel Rogers, D. D., not only gave us pleasure, but inspired us with increased regard for the Messengers themselves, and for the body which they represent.

Resolved, That there be appointed Fraternal Messengers to the Pittsburgh Conference of the Methodist Church. That these Messengers be authorized to assure our brethren of the Pittsburgh Conference that we reciprocate their feelings of brotherly regard and of desire for more intimate relations between their Church and our own. That we were highly gratified by the visit and Christian bearing of their messengers, Rev. William Collier, D. D., and Rev. Alexander Clark ; and that the subject of union referred to in the resolutions of the General Conference of the Methodist Church, and brought to our notice by Dr. Collier, is commended to the candid consideration of our own people everywhere.

Resolved, That the visit of Rev. J. J. White, of the New York Conference, Methodist Church, is also highly appreciated.

Resolved, That there be appointed Fraternal Messengers to visit the Virginia Conference ; the West Virginia Conference ; the Pennsylvania Confer-

ence; the North Carolina Conference, and the Holston Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, with assurances of our sympathy and earnest desire for their prosperity.

Resolved, That Rev. M. J. Langhorne and Charles W. Button, Esq., of the Virginia Conference, Rev. H. P. F. King, of the West Virginia Conference, and Rev. J. K. Hembold, of the Pensilvania Conference, have by their presence and fraternal greetings contributed to the pleasure of this Conference, and commended themselves to our kindest brotherly regard.

The following, offered by H. C. Cushing, was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due to Rev. L. W. Bates, D. D., and his editorial associates, Revs. A. Webster, D. D., S. B. Southerland, D. D., and J. T. Murray, D. D., for gratuitous services in connexion with the *Methodist Protestant*.

Resolved, That the editorial and other writings, in the *Methodist Protestant*, favorable to a general Union of Methodists, meets the unqualified approbation of this Conference.

D. A. Shermer, R. S. Norris, and R. S. Rowe, were appointed a Committee to report to the next Conference, at an early period, a Constitution and By-Laws for a Conference Ministers' Life Assurance Association.

The following offered by J. T. Murray, was adopted :

Whereas, We are painfully impressed with the fact that there is a great lack of discrimination in the introduction of books of fiction into Sunday School Libraries, the reading of which has an injurious effect upon the moral culture of the young; and which are especially unfit for Sabbath reading, therefore,

Resolved, That the Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents are earnestly requested to make a careful examination of the books in our libraries, with a view to excluding any unsuitable volumes already therein.

Resolved, That we recommend that no new books be introduced until they are read and approved by a committee designated by the various Sunday Schools for that purpose; or such as have the endorsement of the Committee appointed by the Conference.

Resolved, That the Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents be requested to furnish the Conference Committee with a list of such books as they have read and endorsed, and that said Committee publish in the *Methodist Protestant* a quarterly report of the books approved.

Resolved, That the resolution of last Conference, appointing the Book Directors a Committee on Sunday School books, be rescinded.

Adjourned with prayer, by H. C. Cushing.

EVENING SESSION.

An evening session was held, beginning at 7½ o'clock.

The following, offered by W. T. Dumm, was adopted :

Resolved, That the Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society be, and he is hereby requested to inform the Superannuates of the standing resolution of the Conference bearing on their cases.

The reports of the Steward of the Superannuated Fund, and the Missionary Steward were adopted.

Adjourned with benediction.

THURSDAY, *March* 20, 1873.

Conference opened with religious services conducted by Henry Bruner.

Letters of fraternal greeting were read from Revs. George R. Barr and H. C. Butt, of Holston Conference, and Rev. J. L. Swain, from North Carolina Conference,

On motion of J. T. Murray,

Resolved, That all beneficiaries of the Missionary Fund be required to give approved security for the monies contributed, by some legal obligation, and in default of such security, they shall be debarred from any benefit of the Missionary Fund.

Resolved, That this rule, without exception, shall be operative immediately.

Resolved, That all previous action of the Conference, inconsistent with the foregoing, be rescinded.

The following offered by J. T. Lassell :

Resolved, That the Book Directory be, and are hereby requested to furnish "*The Methodist Protestant*," at half price, to all ministers of the Gospel ; in active ministerial life.

On motion, J. L. Straughn and H. Bruner were elected to Elders' Orders, these brethren having promised to continue the prescribed course of study.

On motion of S. A. Hoblitzell, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference be, and are hereby tendered to the various families of this city who have so kindly and hospitably entertained its members.

Resolved, 2nd., That the Baltimore and Ohio, and Western Maryland Railroads, and the Chester River and Maryland Steamboat Companies having so generously consented to return free, over their several routes, those members who paid full fare in coming to Conference, are entitled to the thanks of this body.

The President announced the following as Ministerial members of Committee on Missions, for next year : D. A. Shermer, J. T. Murray, R. S. Rowe.

The following resolution by W. M. Strayer, was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are tendered the Secretary and his assistants, for the faithful and efficient performance of their duties.

On motion,

Resolved, That Brandenburgs and Mount Pleasant Churches, Carroll County, Maryland, be connected with Finksburg Circuit, and that Finksburg Circuit be supplied with an assistant (single) minister.

On motion,

Resolved, That the ordination of Revs. J. S. Straughn and Henry Bruner take place in Greene Street Church, to-night.

The President announced the following plan of appointments :

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

D. EVANS REESE, D. D.....*President.*

Stations.—East Baltimore, J. T. Murray, D. D.; West Baltimore, L. W. Bates, D. D.; T. McCormick, Sup.; South Baltimore, R. S. Rowe; Washington Street, D. A. Shermer, M. D.; Starr Church, S. B. Southerland, D. D.; Lexington Street, F. Swentzel, M. D., H. P. Jordan, Sup., A. Richards, Sup.; Broadway, J. P. Wilson; Georgetown, T. D. Valiant, W. C. Lipscomb; Sup.; Westminster, W. S. Hammond; Cumberland, To be supplied; Laurel, Del., J. W. Charlton; Salem, Philadelphia, R. Whinna; Easton, B. F. Benson; First Church, Washington, J. D. Wilson; Centreville, S. T. Graham; Lynchburg, Va., (loan) D. L. Greenfield; Norfolk, Va., (loan) J. M. Holmes; Montgomery, Ala., (loan) J. B. Jones; First Methodist Church, Pittsburgh, (loan) J. J. Murray, D. D.

Circuits.—Anne Arundel, J. W. Gray, J. G. Sullivan; Bel-Air, J. Roberts, A. D. Melvin; Baltimore, J. R. Nichols, F. H. Mullineaux; Bedford, J. Thompson, W. J. D. Lucas; Caroline, J. Clay; Cambridge, to be supplied; Cecil, W. T. Dumm, J. M. Yingling; Chesapeake, W. M. Strayer; Concord, W. C. Ames; Dorchester, C. T. Cochel, T. O. Crouse; Frederick, S. T. Ferguson, G. F. Faring; Finksburg, A. D. Dick, one to be supplied; Howard, G. D.

Edmonston, J. B. Butler, A. Baker, Sup.; Jefferson, Frederick City, and Lewistown, C. H. Littleton, W. R. Graham; Leipsic, J. M. Elderdice; Kent, R. Scott Norris, R. L. Lewis; Kennedyville, A. A. Harryman; Liberty, E. R. McGregor; Milton, J. H. Ellegood, T. A. Moore, Sup.; Pipe Creek, H. C. Cushing; Pocomoke, W. J. Neepier; Somerset, J. L. Mills; Stewartstown, D. W. Bates, S. B. Treadway; Susquehanna, J. Shreeve; Seaford, C. McF. Thompson, A. S. Eversole, M. D., Sup.; Talbot, J. Edgar Read; Union, A. T. Melvin; Warwick, S. A. Hoblitzell; Queen Anne's, F. T. Tagg, D. N. Gilbert; Snow Hill, F. T. Little; Newtown, J. T. Lassell; Whaleyville, W. G. Holmes, one to be supplied; Wicomico, J. L. Straughn; Heathsville, Va. (loan) C. O. Melvin; Campbell, (loan) to be supplied.

Missions.—Alexandria, J. L. Kilgore, D. D., S. G. Valiant; Choptank, W. A. Crouse; Ninth Street, Washington, E. J. Drinkhouse, M. D., Potomac, A. W. Mather; Accomac, I. T. Adkins; Newark, N. J., D. Wilson, M. D., St. Michael's, I. Earle Maloy; Sussex, W. D. Litsinger; Harper's Ferry, H. E. Miskimon; Patapsco, J. E. T. Ewell, M. D., Williamsport and Berkeley, W. F. Livingston; Kent Island, H. Bruner; Peach Bottom, W. J. Floyd; Salisbury, J. D. Kinzer; North Carolina Avenue, Washington, to be supplied; Hampden and White Ground, W. H. Lane; All Saints, to be supplied; Otter, (loan) to be supplied.

Conference Missionary.—A. Webster, D. D.

President Western Maryland College.—J. T. Ward, D. D.

Vice Principal, Western Maryland College.—J. K. Nichols, D. D.

College Agent.—P. L. Wilson.

Loaned to the Board of Missions.—J. E. Darby.

Superannuated.—John Elderdice, J. A. McFaden, D. F. Ewell, M. D., Thomas Lee, H. J. Day, T. M. Bryan, J. W. Everist.

Adjourned with prayer, by J. J. Murray.

J. W. CHARLTON,

Secretary.

J. T. MURRAY,

Publishing Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Newark, N. J., Mission relation unchanged. Centreville changed to a Station. Frederick City united with Jefferson Circuit. Peach Bottom continued a Mission. Carroll discontinued.

Appropriations. — Ninth St., Washington, \$200.00; Potomac, \$250.00; Sussex, (Deed in hand), \$300.00; St. Michael's, (Deed declined), \$300.00; Patapsco, (Deed promised), \$400.00; Salisbury, (Deed in hand), \$250.00; Harper's Ferry, (State Laws prevent Deed), \$150.00; Williamsport and Berkeley, (State Laws prevent Deed), \$100.00; Hampden, (Conditional on giving Security), \$400.00; N. C. Avenue, Washington, (if supplied by Member of Conference), \$200.00; All Saints, (if supplied will give Deed), \$100; Alexandria, continued one year (State Laws prevent Deed if supplied with assistant Minister,) \$300.00; Kent Island, (Deed promised) \$300.00; To pay for Juvenile Missionary Certificate, \$136.00; Total \$3386.00.

Recommendations. — Kent Island to the favor of the District; hoping we may be able to make a special effort in its behalf next year.

That Superintendents of the various charges organize Juvenile Missionary Societies, auxiliary to the Conference Society; and that they use the Juvenile Missionary Certificates as a means of obtaining increased contributions.

The re-consideration of the act dividing Potomac Circuit. Conformably with this recommendation, Gum Spring was re-united with Potomac Circuit.

That the Ministers of the Committee on Missions for the ensuing year be appointed at this Session of the Conference.

Assessments. — Broadway, \$100; Centreville, \$50; East Baltimore, \$110; West Baltimore, \$225; South Baltimore, \$30; Lexington St., \$100; Starr Church, \$100; Washington St., \$40; First Church, Washington, \$60; Georgetown, D. C., \$225; Salem, Philadelphia, \$60; Laurel, Delaware, \$40; Westminster, \$80; Easton, \$70; Anne Arundel, \$120; Baltimore, \$60; Bel Air, \$130; Bedford, \$60; Caroline, \$40; Cecil, \$50; Chesapeake, \$15; Concord, \$20; Dorchester, \$55; Frederick, \$60; Finksburg, \$50; Howard, \$80; Jefferson, \$70; Leipsic, \$60; Kent, \$190; Kennedyville, \$30; Liberty, \$60; Milton, \$20; Somerset, \$80; Stewartstown, \$70; Newtown, \$75; Pipe Creek, \$120; Queen Anne's, \$50; Snow Hill, \$20; Seaford, \$40; Susquehanna, \$80; Talbot, \$30; Union, \$50; Whaleyville, \$30; Warwick, \$75; Pokomoke, \$40; Wicomico, \$20; Alexandria, \$60; Ninth St., Washington, \$60; St. Michael's, \$40; Williamsport and Berkeley, \$10; Potomac, \$30; Salisbury, \$40; Patapsco, \$30; Harper's Ferry, \$25; Choptank, \$20; Sussex, \$25; Newark, \$100; Accomac, \$20; Kent Island, \$20; Peach Bottom, \$20; Frederick City, \$30; Lynchburg, Va., \$40; Norfolk, Va., \$10; Heathsville, Va., \$20; Montgomery, Ala., \$50; Hampden, \$10; N. C. Avenue, Washington, \$10; All Saints, \$10; Total \$3,760.

D. A. SHERMER,

Chairman.

Conference appropriated to Broadway \$500, and to prosecute claim to property in Cumberland \$500; making with appropriations of the Committee an aggregate of \$4286.

REPORT OF STEWARD OF SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Stations.—East Baltimore, \$43.75; West Baltimore, \$25.01; for investment \$160; South Baltimore, \$2.00; for investment \$10; Washington Street, \$25.01; Starr Church, \$2.75; for investment \$70; Lexington Street, \$10.95; Lynchburg, Va., \$21.55; Georgetown, D. C., \$82.77; for investment \$60; Laurel, Del., \$10.00; Montgomery, Ala., \$15.80; Norfolk, Va., \$5.00; Westminster, \$26.50; Salem, Phila., \$7.25; First M. P. Church, Washington, \$12.00; Cumberland.

Circuits.—Anne Arundel, \$8.50; Bel-Air, \$32.85; Baltimore and Hampden, \$25.68; Bedford, \$6.21; Caroline, \$8.00; Cambridge, \$4.75; Cecil, \$13.42; Chesapeake, \$5.50; Concord, \$10.30; Dorchester, \$11.20; Frederick, \$5.00; Finksburg, \$9.38; Howard, \$14.00; Heathesville, —; Jefferson, \$14.82; Leipsic, \$8.00; Kent, \$106.12; Kennedyville, \$7.50; Liberty, \$9.00; Milton, \$4.50; Pipe Creek, \$16.30; Pocomoke, \$4.00; Somerset, \$10.00; Stewartstown, \$16.02; Susquehanna, \$11.25; Seaford, \$4.00; Talbot, \$33.62; for investment \$40; Union, \$20.00; Warwick, \$40.00; for investment \$60; Queen Anne's, \$12.06; Snow Hill, —; Newtown, \$26.25; Whaleyville, \$9.45; Wicomico, \$15.47; Severn, \$1.00.

Missions.—Alexandria, \$68.00; Broadway, \$4.76; Choptank, \$7.20; Centreville, \$8.15; Ninth Street, Washington, \$15.00; Newark, N. J., \$3.00 pd. Treasurer, \$18.97; Potomac, \$20.00; Accomac, \$2.50; St. Michael's, \$2.00 for investment \$40; Sussex, \$3.81; Salisbury, \$10.41; Harper's Ferry, Va., \$2.97; Patapsco, \$10.00; Williamsport and Berkeley, \$11.25; Kent Island, \$6.00; Frederick City, \$2.00; Peach Bottom, \$5.00.

Total Amount from District for Investment.....	\$440.00
“ “ “ “ Distribution.....	\$ 996.54
In hands of Zollickoffer for Distribution.....	3,696.05
Received from Secretary of Society.....	46.00
“ “ Brother J. E. Darby.....	5.00
“ “ Colored Church, Charleston, S. C.....	8.00
Total Amount for Distribution.....	\$4,751.59

Claimants.—John Elderdice, claim, \$650; paid, \$390.91. J. A. McFaden, claim, \$650; paid, \$390.91. D. F. Ewell, claim, \$500; paid, \$300.75. Thos. Lee, claim, \$450; paid, \$270.62. H. J. Day, claim, \$400; paid, \$240.60. T. M. Bryan, claim, \$400; paid, \$240.60. J. W. Everist, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. C. Eversole, claim, \$650; paid, \$490.91. Mrs. N. S. Greenaway, claim, \$500; paid, \$300.75. Mrs. Daniel Bowers, claim, \$400; paid, \$240.60. Mrs. F. G. Wright, claim, \$250; paid, \$150.37. Mrs. J. F. Whiteside, claim, \$400; paid, \$240.60. Mrs. Washington Roby, claim, \$400; paid, \$240.60. Mrs. T. M. Wilson, claim, \$250; paid, \$150.37. Mrs. William Kesley, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. R. T. Boyd, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. Josiah Varden, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. G. D. Hamilton, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. W. T. Wright, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. Isaac Webster, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. L. A. Collins, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. J. S. Reese, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Mrs. Jos. Scull, claim, \$200; paid, \$120.30. Total claims, \$7,900. Total paid, \$4,751.59.

Per cent. 6.015.

J. EARLE MALOY, *Steward.*

The Committee on Superannuated Claimants reported as follows:

Rev. John Elderdice, \$600; Rev. J. A. McFaden, \$600; Rev. D. F. Ewell, \$600; Rev. Thomas Lee, \$450; Rev. H. J. Day, \$400; Rev. T. M. Bryan, \$400; Rev. J. W. Everest, \$200; Mrs. C. Eversole, \$450; Mrs. N. S. Greenway, \$350; Mrs. Danl. Bowers, \$350; Mrs. F. G. Wright, \$200; Mrs. J. F. Whiteside, \$300; Mrs. W. Roby, \$250; Mrs. T. M. Wilson, \$250; Mrs. Wm. Kesley, \$200; Mrs. R. T. Boyd, \$200; Mrs. Josiah Varden, \$250; Mrs. G. D. Hamilton, \$200; Mrs. Wm. T. Wright, \$200; Mrs. I. Webster, \$200; Mrs. L. A. Collins, \$200; Mrs. J. S. Reese, \$200.

T. D. VALIANT, *Chairman.*

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance would report, that it is necessary to increase the assessment on the President's salary to meet a deficiency of Sixty or Seventy dollars repairs on the Presidential Parsonage. We have made the needed extra assessment without increasing the President's proportion of the salary, and respectfully submit the following:

East Baltimore, \$60.00; West Baltimore, \$85.00; South Baltimore, \$25.00; Washington Street, \$40.00; Starr Church, \$50.00; Lexington Street, \$40.00; Georgetown, \$95.00; Laurel, \$30.00; Newtown, \$45.00; Salem, Phila., \$20.00; Cumberland, \$5.00; Westminster, \$50.00; Lynchburg, \$20.00; Norfolk, \$10.00; Anne Arundel, \$60.00; Severn, \$20.00; Bel-Air, \$60.00; Baltimore, \$55.00; Bedford, \$45.00; Howard, \$60.00; Caroline, \$50.00; Cambridge, \$20.00; Cecil, \$40.00; Chesapeake, \$35.00; Concord, \$25.00; Dorchester, \$35.00; Frederick, \$55.00; Finksburg, \$35.00; Jefferson and Lewistown, \$40.00; Liberty, \$60.00; Leipsic, \$35.00; Kent, \$70.00; Kennedyville, \$25.00; Union, \$25.00; Milton, \$20.00; Pipe Creek, \$75.00; Pocomoke, \$25.00; Somerset, \$30.00; Stewartstown, \$35.00; Susquehanna, \$35.00; Seaford, \$15.00; Talbot, \$20.00; Warwick, \$45.00; Queen Anne's, \$35.00; Snowhill, \$25.00; Whaleyville, \$45.00; Alexandria, \$35.00; Broadway, \$45.00; Choptank, \$30.00; East Washington, \$35.00; Ninth Street, \$35.00; Newark, \$55.00; Potomac, \$15.00; Accomac, \$15.00; St. Michael's, \$20.00; Sussex, \$10.00; Salisbury, \$25.00; Wicomico, \$10.00; Harper's Ferry, \$20.00; Patapsco, \$15.00; Frederick, Miss., \$20.00; White Ground, \$5.00; Peach Bottom, \$15.00; Centreville, \$30.00; Williamsport and Berkeley, \$20.00; Kent Island, \$20.00; Heathsville, \$10.00; Campbell, \$10.00; Montgomery, \$15.00; Hampden, \$10.00; Easton, \$40.00; Total, \$2370.

L. W. BATES, *Chairman.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

FRIDAY, *March 14*, 1873, 1 P. M.

Upon the rise of Conference the Home Missionary Society took session, A. S. Eversole in the Chair, and adjourned from time to time during the continuance of Conference; finally adjourning Thursday, March 20, at 1 P. M.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President.—A. S. Eversole.

Vice Presidents.—T. D. Valliant, J. T. Murray.

Board of Managers.—D. A. Shermer, S. B. Southerland, F. Swentzel, H. F. Zollickoffer, J. G. Clarke, I. Evans, Jr., C. H. Richardson, and Frederick Etchison.

Treasurer.—C. H. Richardson.

Secretary.—Edward B. Bates.

On motion of L. W. Bates, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to have all the certificates of life-membership ordered at this session, filled up at once, and that he be allowed twenty cents apiece for that purpose.

Dr. Zollickoffer presented the report of the Board of Managers in the matter of the Church property in Cumberland, which upon motion was received, read, and adopted.

Whereupon, on motion of E. J. Drinkhouse, after some discussion the following resolutions were adopted, and the Secretary being directed to record W. M. Strayer as voting in the negative:

Resolved, That the action already taken by the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society in the Cumberland Church suit is approved, and they are hereby instructed to press it to a finality,

Resolved, That the Missionary Committee of the Conference is requested to assess *pro rata* \$500.00 upon the district in addition to the sum required for the salaries of Missionaries to meet the expenses of this suit: said sum to be stated by them as a distinct item.

The amount collected upon call of the Roll was \$56.00. At the Anniversary meeting on Friday night, twenty-four life-memberships were subscribed and a basket collection of \$4.25 taken—making \$244.25. Total \$300.25.

EDWARD B. BATES,

Secretary.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY STEWARD.

CHARGES.	Assessment.	Paid.	Deficiency.	Excess.
STATIONS.				
*East Baltimore.....	\$100 00	\$148 46	\$.....	\$48 46
West Baltimore.....	220 00	236 35	.....	16 35
South Baltimore.....	30 00	64 60	.....	34 60
Washington Street.....	40 00	11 45	28 55	.....
*Starr Church.....	100 00	203 50	.....	103 50
Lexington Street ..	100 00	100 00	.....	.....
*Lynchburg, Virginia.....	30 00	.....	30 00	.....
*Georgetown, D. C.....	220 00	405 67	.....	185 67
Laurel, Delaware.....	40 00	40 00	.....	.....
Montgomery, Alabama.....	30 00	30 00	.....	.....
Norfolk, Virginia.....	10 00	8 80	1 20	.....
Westminster.....	80 00	81 10	.....	1 10
Salem, Philadelphia.....	60 00	60 00	.....	.....
East Washington.....	60 00	60 00	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....
Amount from Stations.....	\$1,125 00	\$1,449 93	\$64 75	\$389 68
CIRCUITS.				
Anne Arundel.....	\$100 00	\$45 26	\$54 74	\$.....
Bel-Air.....	130 00	69 50	60 50	.....
Baltimore.....	60 00	63 84	.....	3 84
*Bedford.....	60 00	36 35	23 65	.....
Caroline.....	30 00	31 70	.....	1 70
Cambridge.....	30 00	18 00	12 00	.....
Cecil.....	40 00	62 67	.....	22 67
Chesapeake.....	15 00	9 60	5 40	.....
Concord.....	20 00	36 00	.....	16 00
Dorchester.....	50 00	82 49	.....	32 49
Frederick.....	60 00	10 25	49 75	.....
Finksburg.....	50 00	34 06	15 94	.....
Howard.....	100 00	22 50	77 50	.....
Heathesville, Virginia.....	20 00	10 10	9 90	.....
Jefferson.....	70 00	70 00	.....	.....
Kent.....	190 00	136 78	53 22	.....
Kennedyville.....	30 00	36 50	.....	6 50
Liberty.....	60 00	25 00	35 00	.....
Leipsic.....	60 00	20 50	39 50	.....
Milton.....	20 00	8 00	12 00	.....
Pipe Creek.....	100 00	73 98	26 02	.....
Pocomoke.....	40 00	25 64	14 36	.....
Somerset.....	60 00	40 00	20 00	.....
Stewartstown.....	70 00	51 52	18 48	.....
Susquehanna.....	75 00	43 00	.....	32 00
Seaford, Delaware.....	25 00	25 00	.....	.....

REPORT OF MISSIONARY STEWARD — CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	Assessment.	Paid.	Deficiency.	Excess.
CIRCUITS.				
Talbot.....	\$100 00	\$70 61	\$29 39	\$.....
Union.....	40 00	20 00	20 00	.....
Warwick.....	75 00	75 00	.....	.....
Queen Anne's.....	50 00	100 00	.....	50 00
Snow Hill.....	20 00	.....	20 00	.....
Newtown.....	75 00	72 76	2 24	.....
Whaleyville.....	40 00	28 40	11 60	.....
Wicomico.....	15 00	17 99	.....	2 99
Greenville, Alabama.....	37 00	.....	37 00	.....
Severn.....	30 00	2 00	28 00	.....
Total from Circuits.....	\$2,047 00	\$1,475 00	\$708 19	\$136 19
MISSIONS.				
Alexandria	\$60 00	\$60 00	\$.....	\$.....
Broadway.....	100 00	100 00	.....	.....
Choptank.....	20 00	20 00	.....	.....
*Centreville.....	40 00	51 56	.....	11 56
Ninth Street.....	60 00	60 00	.....	.....
Newark, New Jersey.....	100 00	100 00	.....	.....
Potomac.....	25 00	40 00	.....	15 00
Accomac.....	20 00	6 00	14 00	.....
St. Michael's.....	40 00	50 00	.....	10 00
Sussex.....	20 00	20 00	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	30 00	30 47	.....	47
Harper's Ferry.....	25 00	17 07	7 95	.....
Patapsco.....	30 00	34 00	.....	4 00
Williamsport and Berkeley...	10 00	11 25	.....	1 25
Kent Island.....	20 00	20 00	.....	.....
Frederick City.....	30 00	3 00	27 00	.....
Peach Bottom.....	20 00	27 50	.....	7 50
Amount from Missions.....	\$650 00	\$650 83	\$48 95	\$49 78
Total in the District.....	\$3,822 00	\$3,575 76	\$246 24	\$.....
*East Baltimore Sunday School, paid.....				\$113 00
*Starr Juvenile Missionary Society, paid.....				159 00
*Georgetown Juvenile Missionary Society, paid.....				150 00
*Lynchburg, paid to Lexington Street.....				100 00
*Centreville, Master W. S. Wright's Missionary box.....				1 56
*Bedford Centenary Sunday School.....				6 53

REPORT OF MISSIONARY STEWARD—CONTINUED.

DISTRIBUTION.

MISSIONS.	Amount ap- propriated.	Amount Paid.
Alexandria, Virginia.....	\$600 00	\$600 00
Ninth Street, D. C.....	300 00	300 00
Broadway, Baltimore.	500 00	500 00
St. Michael's.	300 00	300 00
Potomac, Virginia.....	300 00	300 00
Salisbury.....	300 00	300 00
Patapsco.....	200 00	200 00
Centreville.....	100 00	100 00
Harper's Ferry, Virginia... ..	100 00	100 00
Sussex.....	200 00	200 00
Kent Island.....	300 00	300 00
Peach Bottom.....	100 00	100 00
President's Deficiency.....	59 00	59 00
Whole amount of claims.....	\$3,359 00	\$3,359 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. WHINNA, *Missionary Steward.*

Total in the District.....	\$3,575 76
Society Fees.....	55 20
Anniversary.....	196 05
Charleston Colored Church.....	3 00
P. M. Pearson	10 00
Son of P. M. Pearson.....	2 00
Mrs. A. Scull.....	5 00
Rev. J. E. Darby.....	5 00
A friend, of Savage, Maryland.....	8 00
Total Collections.....	\$3,860 01

PAID OUT BY TREASURER.

Last year's deficiency.....	\$ 5 64
Cumberland Church case.....	93 00
Certificates of Membership.....	108 50
Trunk for Certificates.....	5 00
To Fisher and Dennison.. ..	103 25
Total amount paid out.....	\$315 39
Amount for distribution.....	\$3,544 62

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARD.

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MINUTES OF THE

CHARGES.	Collections.	Salary of Superintendent.	Salary of Assistant.	Amount Paid	Received from other Sources.	Deficiency.	Paid.
East Baltimore.....	\$ 9 20	\$1,500 00	\$.....	\$1,500 00	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
West Baltimore.....	38 87	1,600 00	.....	1,600 00	.....	.....	.....
South Baltimore.....	3 77	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Washington Street.....	5 04	900 00	.....	723 00	.....	177 00	37 61
Starr Church.....	8 76	1,200 00	.....	1,200 00	.....	.....	.....
Lexington Street.....	6 13	1,200 00	.....	1,200 00	.....	.....	.....
Georgetown, D. C.....	20 17	1,650 00	.....	1,650 00	.....	.....	.....
First M. P. Church, Washington....	12 00	1,200 00	.....	1,200 00	.....	.....	.....
Salem, Philadelphia....	3 10	900 00	.....	900 00	.....	.....	.....
Laurel, Delaware.....	5 00	750 00	.....	750 00	.....	.....	.....
Westminster.....	11 00	900 00	.....	900 00	.....	.....	.....
Lynchburg, Virginia.....	....	800 00	.....	800 00	.....	.....	.....
Norfolk, Virginia.....	1 00	414 00	.....	414 00	386 00	.....	.....
Montgomery, Alabama.....	....	1,200 00	.....	1,200 00	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	No report.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anne Arundel.	5 40	800 00	.....	800 00	.....	.....	.....
Bel-Air.....	5 00	750 00	200 00	737 00	.....	213 00	45 26
Baltimore and Hampden	12 50	800 00	200 00	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Bedford.....	3 70	600 00	200 00	765 00	.....	35 00	7 44
Caroline.....	1 75	500 00	.....	451 50	.....	48 50	10 30
Cambridge	2 25	350 00	.....	350 00	.....	.....	.....
Cecil.....	13 25	700 00	200 00	770 00	.....	130 00	27 63
Chesapeake.....	2 40	500 00	.....	425 00	40 00	35 00	7 44
Concord.....	5 55	450 00	.....	450 00	.....	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	5 75	700 00	200 00	858 32	.....	41 18	8 75
Frederick.....	2 75	600 00	.....	560 00	.....	40 00	8 50

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARD—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	Collections.	Salary of Superintendent.	Salary of Assistant.	Amount Paid.	Received from other Sources.	Deficiency.	Paid.
Finksburg.....	\$ 4 95	\$575 00	\$175 00	\$603 78	\$.....	\$146 22	\$31 07
Liberty.....	4 31	600 00	.....	600 00	.....	.....	.....
Howard.....	9 00	600 00	200 00	800 00	.....	.....	.....
Heathesville.....	.....	400 00	.....	200 00	.....	200 00	.....
Jefferson.....	2 52	760 00	200 00	821 64	.....	138 36	29 40
Kent.....	15 70	1,000 00	200 00	1,263 00	.....	.....	.....
Kennedyville.....	2 20	250 00	.....	235 00	.....	No claim.	.....
Leipsic.....	3 75	500 00	.....	335 00	.....	165 00	35 06
Milton.....	2 80	475 00	.....	384 00	.....	91 00	19 34
Newtown.....	6 10	800 00	.....	800 00	.....	.....	.....
Pipe Creek.....	8 00	800 00	.....	800 00	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	1 00	275 00	.....	250 00	.....	No claim.	.....
Queen Anne's.....	1 13	250 00	.....	235 00	.....	No claim.	.....
Somerset.....	3 35	835 00	.....	835 00	.....	.....	.....
Stewartstown.....	6 40	700 00	200 00	712 93	.....	187 07	39 74
Susquehanna.....	8 40	700 00	.....	613 17	.....	No claim.	.....
Seaford.....	2 30	500 00	.....	400 00	.....	100 00	21 25
Severn.....	1 00	233 00	.....	52 00	.....	131 00	27 84
Snow Hill.....	No report.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Talbot.....	10 00	800 00	300 00	1,100 00	.....	.....	.....
Union.....	7 45	650 00	.....	612 00	.....	No claim.	.....
Warwick.....	8 12	700 00	.....	700 03	.....	.....	.....
Whaleyville.....	3 25	600 00	200 00	600 20	.....	199 80	42 46
Wicomico.....	11 25	300 00	.....	300 00	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, Alabama.....	No report.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alexandria.....	4 04	250 00	250 00	Mis. ap. 600.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARD—CONTINUED.

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MINUTES OF THE

CHARGES	Collections.	Salary of Superintendent.	Salary of Assistant.	Amount Paid.	Received from other sources.	Deficiency.	Paid.
Accomac.....	\$1 50	No report.	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
Broadway.....	5 72	\$900 00	.....	621 00	500 00	279 00	.....
Choptank.....	3 55	500 00	.....	415 00	.....	85 00	18 06
Centreville.....	4 42	600 00	.....	600 00	100 00	.....	.....
Carroll.....	No report.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Frederick City.....	3 00	350 00	.....	350 00	.....	.....	.....
Harper's Ferry.....	1 36	425 00	.....	334 85	100 00	90 15	.....
Kent Island.....	1 25	140 00	.....	140 00	325 00	.....	.....
Ninth Street, Washington.....	3 34	850 00	.....	850 00	300 00	.....	.....
Newark, New Jersey.....	15 25	1,400 00	.....	1,400 00	.....	.....	.....
Potomac.....	3 60	400 00	.....	305 00	325 00	70 00	.....
Patapsco.....	4 00	450 00	.....	450 00	200 00	.....	.....
Peach Bottom.....	1 35	450 00	.....	450 00	100 00	.....	.....
St. Michael's.....	2 29	350 00	.....	350 00	300 00	.....	.....
Sussex.....	1 13	300 00	.....	250 00	200 00	50 00	.....
Salisbury.....	2 62	450 00	.....	450 00	300 00	.....	.....
Williamsport and Berkeley.....	.....	350 00	.....	350 00	.....	.....	.....
White Ground.....	No report.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charleston, South Carolina (Colored) Church.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Contribution from Phebean Society.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Overpaid brother G. D. Edmonston, last year, through an error in his official report.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
President's deficiency as follows: Cecil, \$7; Severn, \$20; Kennedyville, \$10; Chesapeake, \$17; Heathsville, Va., \$5.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 000	12 54
Total Collections.....	\$429 70	.....	.....	Total Deficiencies.....	.....	\$2,022 13	.....

Percentage.....21¼ cents.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. ROWE,

Conference Steward.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

CHARGES.	Members.	Probationers.	Ministers.	Preachers.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Colored Members.	Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Value of Church Property.	Unstationed Ministers and Preachers.
STATIONS.													
East Baltimore.....	225	1	1	...	1	1	.....	1	20	130	275	\$ 28,000	H. T. Gernhardt.
West Baltimore.....	220	...	1	...	1	1	.....	1	23	102	412	30,000	H. F. Zollickoffer.
South Baltimore.....	120	6	...	2	1	1	.....	1	13	141	750	21,000	W. Johnson and Noah Bratt.
Washington Street.....	131	17	...	1	1	1	.....	1	24	200	390	16,000	Theo. R. Straughn.
Starr Church.....	225	6	...	...	1	1	.....	1	24	246	477	40,000	
Lexington Street.....	147	8	1	1	1	...	1	1	17	202	400	15,000	{ T. G. D. Collins, Sr., T. G. D. Collins, Jr.
Georgetown.....	310	...	1	...	1	1	.....	1	30	265	754	40,000	P. H. Sweet.
Laurel.....	100	12	...	...	1	...	.....	1	12	100	380	8,000	
Westminster.....	169	20	...	5	1	...	.....	1	25	149	511	18,000	{ C. Billingslea, W. W. White, C. Arnett, A. J. Walter, J. A. Weigand.
Salem.....	166	8	...	2	1	1	.....	1	25	200	1,000	17,000	
First M. P. Church, Wash.....	310	30	1	...	1	1	.....	2	56	420	500	17,000	
CIRCUITS.													
Anne Arundel.....	154	11	...	...	4	1	.....	3	24	214	510	11,000	
Bel-Air.....	285	6	1	...	7	1	.....	7	35	267	500	17,000	A. H. Greenfield.
Baltimore.....	281	73	...	2	5	...	.....	7½	96	515	1,808	9,900	J. B. Mitchell, J. Cain.
Bedford.....	186	8	1	...	6	1	.....	5	40	175	500	12,000	J. Growden.
Caroline.....	312	38	...	1	4	1	.....	5	47	362	895	9,500	
Cambridge.....	58	1	...	...	2	...	.....	2	12	55	80	3,000	
Cecil.....	294	67	1	1	7	1	.....	6	72	397	2,024	17,600	G. Moore, Dr. A. M. Jordan.
Chesapeake.....	74	...	...	2	2	1	.....	2	12	35	46	7,000	H. Meeks, T. M. Pinkind.
Concord.....	147	10	...	1	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,800	J. Kling.
Dorchester.....	412	23	1	...	6	1	7	50	240	425	10,000	
Frederick.....	510	15	1	2	7	1	7	95	600	1,100	13,000	{ J. Day, G. F. Kindley, H. Mullineaux.

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Finksburg.....	265	18	6	7	50	350	1,500	\$ 13,000	Wm. Dale, J. H. McGrath. { Dr S. H. Robertson, S. Lankford. J. Cathcart.
Howard.....	282	52	1	1	10½	1	...	7	52	278	675	15,000	
Jefferson.....	160	1	...	...	4	1	...	4	49	220	1,265	15,000
Leipsic.....	125	12	...	...	4	...	...	2	18	160	450	4,800
Kent.....	154	67	...	...	2	1	...	2	30	200	801	10,700
Kennedyville.....	100	12	...	...	2	...	...	1	13	86	291	8,000
Liberty.....	192	19	1	1	4	1	1	3	40	200	1,000	9,200	
Milton.....	200	.....	...	...	3	...	...	3	20	150	300	3,000
Pipe Creek.....	218	1	...	...	3	1	...	3	40	185	1,130	13,500
Pocomoke.....	175	9	1	1	5	...	...	3	24	89	225	4,500
Somerset.....	216	.....	...	2	2	...	...	2	19	173	270	4,000
Stewartstown.....	328	20	1	...	4½	1	...	5	80	350	800	9,800	
Susquehanna.....	150	7	...	...	3	1	...	3	35	183	638	9,500
Seaford.....	108	6	1	1	3	1	...	2	35	120	600	8,500	
Talbot.....	145	52	...	...	4	1	...	3	40	216	1,000	16,000
Union.....	230	40	...	...	5	1	...	8	40	400	1,000	5,200
Warwick.....	160	7	...	...	3	1	...	2	15	70	500	8,000
Queen Anne.....	173	.....	...	2	3	...	...	2	13	95	700	5,000
Snow Hill.....													
Newtown.....	134	28	...	...	2	...	...	2	26	149	586	6,500
Whaleyville.....	225	38	1	...	7	...	...	5	40	160	700	6,000
Wicomico.....	123	5	..	1	3	...	...	4	20	125	150	3,000
Severn.....	No rpt												
MISSIONS.													
Alexandria.....	165	19	...	2	1	1	...	1	24	123	309	12,000	J. Tacey, W. N. Herbert.
Broadway.....	103	1	1	...	1	1	...	1	33	175	350	30,000	G. W. Simpson, M. D.
Choptank.....	125	29	...	1	3	3	38	157	800	8,000	J. Smith.

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Centreville.....	65	25	1	1	..	1	12	60	300	\$ 9,150	O. Cox, N. Lemon. { Luke Morris, Min., Dan'l Smith, Prea.
Ninth St., Washington...	101	22	2	..	1	1	..	1	12	101	800	38,000	
Newark	192	6	1	1	1	1	..	1	30	230	800	40,000	
Potomac.....	80	3½	1	..	2½	30	100	800	4,000	{ W. M. Poisal, Dr. J. A. Robinson. J. W. Pennel, C. W. Dennis.
Accomac.....	150	10	..	..	2	..	..	2	15	125	225	3,200
St. Michael's.....	58	10	1	1	2	1	..	2	10	50	700	4,000	
Sussex.....	81	12	1	4	24	150	525	2,000	J. Edwards. J. Light.
Salisbury.....	147	14	1	1	1	1	..	2	14	110	400	8,500	
Harper's Ferry.....	118	10	..	..	2	1	..	1	17	125	1,309	10,000
Patapsco.....	140	5	..	1	1	1	10	120	300	6,000	J. Light.
Williamsport and Berkeley.....	90	5	1	..	4	..	..	3	28	125	525	9,000
Kent Island	71	12	..	..	2	..	..	2	16	70	420	6,800
Frederick City.....	35	..	1	..	1	1	9	60	400	5,000	J. Light.
Peach Bottom.....	130	32	..	..	3	..	..	3½	30	180	300	4,000
White Ground	No rpt	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carroll	No rpt	J. Light.
Hampden	63	23	..	1	1	..	..	1	11	64	300	7,000
Charleston, S. C.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	280	..	..	..	..	..
Cumberland.....	J. Light.
Sum total March, 1873...	10,613	989	25	38	176½	38	282	169½	1,805	11,099	37,881	746,650	
“ “ 1872...	11,176	1,124	25	27	185	37	192	172½	1,926	11,093	36,506	753,200	
Gain	11	..	1	90	6	1,375	..	J. Light.
Loss	563	135	8½	3	121	6,550	
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All of which is respectfully submitted,

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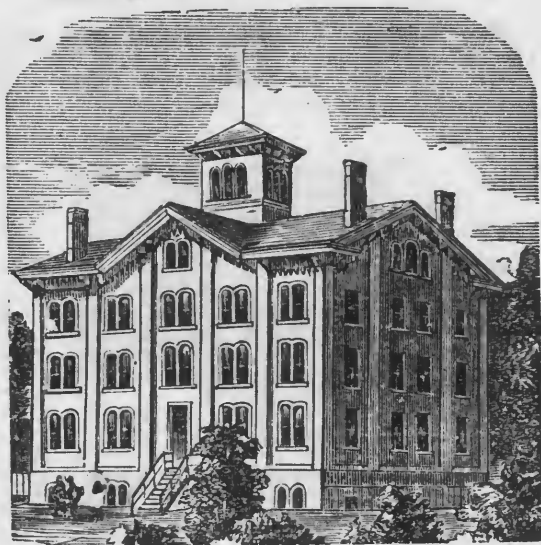
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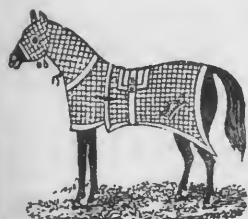
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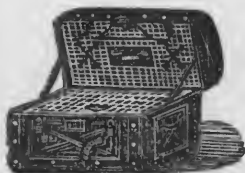
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